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February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Town Council Meeting Hardin Hall

Present: Mayor Michael J Smith, Vice-Mayor Russell Joseph, Councilman Robert Atkinson, Councilman Earl Chaffinch, Sr., Councilman John Reiss, Town Administrator Vikki Prettyman

Absent: Councilman David Ruff

Meeting Opened at 7:00pm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012; motion by Councilman Reiss to accept the minutes in written form; seconded by Councilman Chaffinch; motion carried.

Police Report - submitted by Chief Cooke read by Commissioner Chaffinch.

BEDCO – January and February 2013 minutes were submitted by Spuck Bennett and read by Vikki Prettyman.

P&Z – No meeting held in January and February. Commissioner Reiss stated that March there will be a meeting to discuss the Dollar General plans to build in town.

## Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code Code Report Submitted & Attached in the minutes.
- Water report submitted by Brandon Slater; read by Commissioner Atkinson.
- Streets No written report submitted at this time. Gas Company is still retiring gas lines which mean they are tearing up the roads to do so but Commissioner Joseph stated he does expect them to patch properly. The backhoe has been repaired. It has new fuel tank, new fuel lines, and new carburetor.
- Parks & Cemetery No written report submitted. Commissioner Absent.
- Police Report New Tasers for the department received via a grant. The grant also included training cartridges.
- Mayor's Report-Report Submitted in writing.

## New Business:

Community Development Block Grant resolution presented motion to pass resolution by Councilman Chaffinch, seconded by Councilman Joseph. Fair Housing resolution motion to pass by Councilman Reiss, seconded by Councilman Chaffinch.



## Good of the Community:

Letter of thanks received from Joe McCabe about the Kid's Christmas party. The town has drafted a letter to Joe thanking him for all his hard work.

Drafted a certificate of appreciate for the cub scouts that presented the flags at the December 2012 Council Meeting.

Mayor announced that the bridge will have maintenance done to it but will not be completely closed at any time. Starting sometime in April ending when completed.

Commissioner Joseph wanted to thank council and the employees for the flowers and notes of well wishes when he was in the hospital.

Mayor closed the meeting at 7:29pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vikki Prettyman Town Administrator